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POLITICAL/ECONOMIC

1. UN Observer Deployed in Jizan and Nejran... USAF C-130 aircraft deployed UNOM Yngeslaw troops in Jizan July 7 and began deployment Nejran July 9, latter operation estimated to take 2-4 days. On July 7 USAF officer from MATS Headquarters Europe, inspected and approved Nejran airfield for landing by C-130. (Nejran had never previously received aircraft of this size.) Removal of Saudi troops from border areas is expected to be underway in near future. (UNCLASSIFIED)

4. Ford Foundation Assistance to Saudi Arabia. Colonel Shah, former Pakistan Ambassador to the UAR and expert in civil service administration, has arrived in Saudi Arabia to head the Ford Foundation's mission for at least two years, in response to the Saudi Government's request for expert guidance in modernizing and reforming its administration. Colonel Shah is being joined by U.S. professors Cunningham and Taylor. They are expected to concentrate first on financial reorganization. As a result of Crown Prince FAYSAL's keen interest in improving education, the Foundation will also investigate the means of invigorating the secondary school system. (UNCLASSIFIED)

Comment: Requests for Ford Foundation help reflects Saudi Government awareness that poor manpower utilization is probably its greatest impediment to progress in all fields. (UNCLASSIFIED)

MILITARY

1. Joint Air Exercise About to Commence. By July 5 all aircraft participating in USAF "Hawk Strike" training exercises had arrived in Dhahran. Deployment to Jidda undertaken July 10. Air show to be held in Jidda July 11 with joint USAF and RSAF participation. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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3. Other News. Sino-Soviet confrontation in Moscow has received daily front-page press play with reportage based on straight wire-service reports. Racial troubles in U.S., aftermath Profumo scandal in U.K., Syrian crisis and departure Hariri for France similarly received wide coverage. SAG development plans received continuing coverage through significant new projects announced. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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